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## CALENDAR—1930-1931

Sat., Dec. 6	French Plays
Mon., Dec. 8	French Plays
Wed., Jan. 7	Officers and Directors
Wed., Jan. 14	Executive Council
Tues., Feb. 3	Finance Committee
Thurs., Feb. 12	Alumnae Breakfast
Wed., Feb. 18	Birthday Celebration
Wed., March 4	Officers and Directors
Wed., March 11	Executive Council
Tues., April 7	Finance Committee
Wed., May 6	Officers and Directors
Wed., May 13	Executive Council
Sat., May 16	Reunion; Election
Thurs., June 18	Commencement Day

## THE NEW COLLEGE

In a few months our dream of new buildings will have become more than a happy hope for the future. We learn officially that the "First Instruction Unit" is now 90% complete, and but for the city's delay in starting work on paving streets in the vicinity, might have been ready to open next February. There seems little doubt, however, that it will be occupied in September, 1931, and it is expected that by the following February, two more buildings will have been finished.

Enthusiastic as we may become over the stately beauty of this first structure, we are still more fascinated by what is promised in the plans of the now half-completed Cafeteria Building. Besides its more than adequate lunch-room facilities, this unit will contain two large social halls, separate rooms for the outstanding clubs, and an office for each of the college publications. But perhaps its most attractive feature will be a little theatre, closely modelled after that at Yale, to be wholly at the disposal of the students. This will seat about 350 and be complete in every respect. It may even be specially wired for "talkies".

"Instruction Unit No. 2" is the third and last of the buildings upon which work has commenced, and of this the steel construction is now complete. But before the end of the year, bids will be received on the Gymnasium, which is to include, besides five large exercise halls, a large swimming pool, locker rooms with individual showers, and an infirmary with a doctor and nurse in constant attendance.

It is planned that the crowning unit of the group will be the Administration Building. In this will be located the Library, which

will seat 1000—a capacity unequalled by our largest Universities—and in which there will be open shelves for about 60,000 volumes. Here too will be a monster auditorium large enough for 2500 people. In addition to class-rooms accomodating 3000 students, there is to be a separate wing devoted to Chemistry Laboratories. This, while architecturally part of the building, will be completely cut off from the main body so that no odors can penetrate to the other wings. The Administration Building will also house the Student Exchange containing a store and supplementary lunch facilities for those who find it inconvenient to use the regular cafeteria.

Those who have so skillfully carried forward the scheme to this stage of development now face a new problem in the selection of equipment for the new school. Much of the furniture will be specially constructed to suit the needs of the students, and it is scarcely necessary to point out what thoughtful planning is involved in such a task. Hunter can never forget the tireless efforts of those friends who have done so much to bring close a fulfillment of her dreams.

MARY R. SHEEHAN

## COLLEGE NOTES

Mr. John C. Johansen, N.A., whose portrait of President Kieran has been since last spring one of Hunter's most valued possessions, has recently completed a larger picture which he will present to the College in place of the earlier. The new portrait will be on exhibition from November 25 to December 21, 1930, at the Galleries of the American Fine Arts Society, 215 West 57th Street, New York, under the auspices of the National Academy of Design.

Pleasure will be universal over the news that at the Phi Beta Kappa Chapel, which will be held on Wednesday, December 3rd, President Kieran is to be made an honorary member of Nu Chapter. He will also deliver the address of the occasion. At the same time the induction of the twelve newly elected members from the Junior Class will take place. These are:

Sadie Braverman	Eva Moskowitz
Judith Cohen	Edith Paris
Mildred Cornfeld	Fanny Prowiser
Ruth Ford	Rebecca Rosenblum
Barbara Freitag	Mildred Sabisch
Frances Lazarus	Roselyn Solomon

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The holiday-time is the season for spending, so that one may realize to the full the joy of giving which makes living worth while. During this present time of depression, wise spending is prescribed as an alleviation. Dr. Lillian Gilbreth, who has been appointed by President Hoover to relieve unemployment conditions, has advised a chain system. Each woman interested in helping has been asked to telephone ten women and request them to consider carefully the things needed in their homes or by the members of their families and buy now as a concrete and definite way of assisting merchants and creating activity along all lines of employment. If the homemaker had intended waiting till spring to replenish her linen closet, let her do it now.

Having bought sufficiently to respond to the needs of her family, let her examine her household effects and see whether she cannot find a job for an upholsterer or whether she has not some rare prints she would like framed.

Thus having attended to needs, she may now joyously turn to gift-buying. We are requested to shop early. Let all those who have the means buy early and often. Let us buy carefully so as not to hamper the shops by goods returned.

It is trite to say "there is always a silver lining." But this is true, and truth prevails. The present season of unemployment brought out the best in all of us. The government is doing its part; the very rich are helping generously; the less wealthy are doing their share; the wage-earners are giving of their salaries. This attitude of helpfulness, sympathy, and desire to place unfortunates in self-respecting positions is doing more to show the disloyalty and fallaciousness of the communists than all the flights of oratory, no matter how sincere, have effected.

Live and let live; give and yet give!

## PLAYS FOR FRENCH SCHOLARSHIPS IN MEMORY OF PROFESSOR BARGY

The Alumnae French Club, together with the French Club of the College, will give two dramatic programs on Saturday afternoon, December 6, and Monday evening, December 8, in the College Chapel. The plays to be presented are *l'Abbé Constantin*, dramatized from the famous novel of Ludovic Halévy, and *Gringoire*, the classic comedy of Théodore de Banville. The casts include members of the Hunter teaching staff, Miss Rose-Marie Daele and Miss Dora Schatzberg, high school teachers of French, and undergraduates. Mr. Marcel Brun of the French Department is coaching the plays. The matinee will be given especially for pupils in the city high schools. The evening performance will be attended by the Alliance Française of New York and the French Consul General. The proceeds are to be used for the Travelling Scholarships established in 1927 in memory of the late Professor Henry Bargy.

For tickets write to Miss Olga Frégosi, Hunter College. Matinée, admission \$.50; evening, reserved seats \$1.00 and \$.75.

C. G.

## A NEW BOOK BY PROFESSOR WHICHER

A collection of poems by George M. Whicher, entitled *Roba d'Italia* and containing some old favorites from *On the Tibur Road* and *Roman Pearls* as well as new selections, has just been published by the Bookmart, Amherst, Mass. It will be reviewed in the January number of the ALUMNAE NEWS, but is announced now, that our Alumnae may know of it before Christmas. For this volume, like Professor Cone's *Harvest Home*, would surely make an ideal Yuletide gift for a Hunter friend.

## A LETTER FROM PROFESSOR CONE

*My dear Comrades of the Associate Alumnae:*

I have recently been distressed by the discovery that one of the friends who subscribed for my little book, "Harvest Home," did not receive her copy. I cannot account for this, except by the fact that I was ill at the time when the books were first sent out, and some confusion may have resulted.

If this misadventure has occurred in other cases, will you please let me know at once, addressing me at 550 West 157th St., so that I may replace the lost book?

I take this opportunity to thank you all most heartily for your interest, and to tell you that nothing in my later life has given me more pleasure than the renewal of old ties and the revival of old memories, through the kind messages received from my students and associates. If I have not replied directly, the slight illness which I have mentioned is responsible.

Faithfully yours,  
HELEN GRAY CONE